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Summer-Autumn Gardens Best Bulbs for 1954

Our Spring Display, April 1-May 25 See Notice on Back and Map Inside

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Grow Autumn-Flowering Bulbs For Perennial Beauty

Four hardy and isoluable members of the bulb kingdom yield colorful blooms from September through the last days of fall. They are Autumn Crocuses, Colchicums, Sternbergias and Hardy Cyclamens. Plant them as you would early spring bulbs in permanent colonies or drifts in the sunny rock garden, in the informal border, or along a slope, and let them naturalize. They not only come back, but increase vigorously from year to year. Shipped and planted in August they flower during the succeeding months. They like plenty of late fall and early spring sunshine.

Autumn Crocuses:	Per	10	Per 100
Asturicus. Dark violet	\$.80	\$ 7.00
Sativus. Pure lavender		.60	5.00
Speciosus. Deep blue		.60	5.00
Speciosus Albus. Pure white		.80	7.00
Zonatus. Lilac		.60	5.00
Mixed Autumn Crocuses			5.00
Colchicums: Autumnale. Rosy-lilac Autumnale Album. Pure White The Giant. Huge flowers of warm lilac Violet Queen. Huge deep violet	4	2.00 2.00 4.00 3.00	18.00 18.00 35.00 27.00
Sternbergia: Lutea. Golden yellow	4	.00	35.00
Cyclamen: Neapolitanum. The wild cyclamen	7	.00	65.00

Dahlias

Your summer garden is not complete without dahlias for garden decoration and for cutting. The following new Dutch hybrid varieties of large decorative dahlias are offered in extra-large divisions.

Large Decorative Dahlias:	Per 3	Per 10
Anita. Deep claret-red	.\$1.75	\$5.00
Flirt. Large pure white	. 1.75	5.00
Golden Leader. Large soft yellow	. 1.75	5.00
Margaret Rose. Clear pink	. 1.75	5.00
Orange Imperial. Apricot-buff	. 1.75	5.00
Exhibition Collection.		
Our choice from above list	. 1.50	4.50

TERMS OF SALE

All items in this folder are offered subject to prior sale, and are sold F.O.B. New Hope, Pennsylvania. All orders are accepted subject to safe arrival of the goods in our packing rooms. Remittance with the order will simplify bookkeeping and will aid us in serving you to advantage. On all orders amounting to less than \$5.00 prepayment is requested. On all orders accompanied by remittance, regardless of amount, free delivery is made to all points east of the Mississippi.

Name and color description are on each label; also planting directions as to depth and distance apart. Five of a variety are sold at the ten rate, twenty-five or more at the hundred rate.

Pennsylvania customers please add 1% for state sales tax.

Bulbs for Months Gladioli

Traditionally gladioli are given first consideration in selecting bulbs for summer gardens. Rightly so as gardeners know that if they grew no other summer flowers except successive plantings of gladioli they would still have a long season of colorful garden bloom, as well as a bountiful reservoir of beautiful flowers for cutting. Their wide color range includes shades of nearly every color in the spectrum. They may be placed among perennials and annuals or in beds by themselves, and they should be planted in profusion so as

to assure a constant supply of bloom.

The following selected list includes the better recent introductions as well as the best of the older varieties. All bulbs are top-sized and high-crowned. Shipment is made in April and early May, and bulbs planted then are least troubled by thrips. However, bi-weekly plantings for successive blooms may be made up to July 1. All shipments are accompanied by cultural directions.

Per 10	Per 100
Abu Hassan. A strikingly beautiful variety	
of deep, indigo-blue\$1.20	\$10.00
Acca Laurentia. Huge florets of soft or-	
ange-rose are borne on a tall, sturdy stem .90	8.00
Elizabeth the Queen. A lovely rosy-lavender	
with huge, ruffled florets	8.00
Ethel Cave Cole. Pure light pink of clear	
tone. Very free-flowering and strong	
growing	9.00
General Eisenhower. Beautiful deep rose	7.00
pink. Its tall spikes are thickly covered	* 0.00
with large florets\$1.00	\$ 9.00
Gold Dust. Robust spike of clear, soft yellow .90	8.00
Hopman's Glory. A clear sunflower yellow90	8.00
June Bells. Large florets of pure white. Early .90	8.00
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Cannas

Plant cannas wherever bold, imposing plants and flowers are wanted to give strength and power to a background. Their massive foliage and large blossoms in rear areas of a garden bed provide dignity and substance. Cannas like sun and good rich soil. They are lifted for winter storing in October. The following group is a selection of best varieties. Approximate height is given.

Eureka. 4 feet. Pure green foliage. Large creamy white blossoms.

Hungaria. 4 feet. Leaves bluish green. Large petaled flowers of clear pink.

King Humbert. 4 feet. Foliage a rich bronze. Brilliant scarlet flowers of great substance provide fine contrast.

King Humbert Yellow. 4 feet. Leaves are dark green. Large flowers a deep yellow lightly spotted red.

The President. 4 feet. Clear green foliage. Flowers a striking scarlet.

Northern grown, 2 to 5 eye divisions, any variety by name. \$.75 per 3—\$2.00 per 10—\$18.00 per 100

Cannas in Collection. Same quality divisions. Named varieties, our selection

\$1.75 per 10-\$4.00 per 25-\$15 per 100

of Summer Bloom

Per	10	Per 100
Mansoer. Huge, tall flower of shiny deep red . Miss Wisconsin. An exhibition flower of	.90 .90	8.00 8.00
Picardy. Immense, well-shaped florets of	.00	9.00
clear, shrimp-pink are carried on a tall, strong spike	90	8.00
spaced florets of clear violet-blue	90	8.00
Red Charm. A vivid shade of bright red, but not scarlet. Vigorous grower	00	9.00
ing white with deep red blotch in center. I.	00	9.00
Spic and Span. A show beauty of great substance. Huge, ruffled florets of deep pink	90	8.00
	30	11.00
Spotlight. Large, deep yellow with small scarlet markings in center	20	10.00
exhibition collection. A named variety collection of exhibition kinds in complete color range. Each variety packed and named separately. Our selection. All No. I bulbs.	20 -	1 000
\$8.00 per 100—\$19.00 per 250—\$75.0 MIXED GLADIOLI. Same quality bulbs, but	и р	er 1,000
varieties packed mixed in one bag. Our		

selection. Recommended for cutting. \$7.00 per 100—\$16.50 per 250—\$65.00 per 1,000

Hymenocallis (Ismene)

Peruvian Daffodil

The large white, amaryllis-shaped blossoms of hymenocallis, or Peruvian Daffodil, are carried on strong stems from two to three feet tall. They are deliciously fragrant. The foliage consists of long, broad spears of rich green. For successive bloom the bulbs may be planted at two-week intervals from late April to mid-June. They are lifted in October for winter storage in a dry place of medium temperature. They grow vigorously and increase from year to year.

		Per 10	Per 100
Calathina.	 .\$2.00 per 3	\$6.00	\$55.00

Juberoses

The waxy white flowers of tuberoses impart a nostalgic fragrance to the late summer garden. Their long stems make them especially fine for cutting too. Tuberoses like a sunny location and good soil.

			Per 10	Per 100
Double Pearl.	Top sized	bulbs	 \$1.60	\$14.00

Montbretias

The charming spikes of montbretias resemble gladioli in form and habit, but the montbretia spears are shorter and narrower and arch more gracefully. Unlike most spring-planting bulbs, montbretias need not be lifted each fall. They will winter over with a light mulch and will readily naturalize with a little protection.

Following is a selection of wonderful hybrids from Holland in shades of pale lemon through apricot to warm carmine.

Carmine Brilliant. A small-flowered variety of bright carmine with tan throat\$1.00 \$ 9.00 Citronella. Large, delicately formed florets of canary yellow are abundantly produced on long graceful stems
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El Dorado. Vivid spikes of intense deep yellow
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Fraest Davidson A huge flower of nurs or-
ange 1.00 9.00
Fantasy. A colorful variety of bright or-
ange-red
James Coey. Brilliant fiery crimson suffused
with gold. Excellent for massing 1.30 11.00 Lady Oxford. An unusual shade of coral
with deep maroon markings. Bold, hand-
some flower of great substance 1.60 14.00
Vesuvius. Deep red florets on a sturdy spike. 1.00 9.00
Montbretias in Collection. Exhibition named
varieties each packed separately. Our
selection 9.00
Mixed Montbretias. Same quality bulbs, but varieties packed mixed in one bag. Our
selection

Our Book on Bulbs "Bulbs For Beauty"

More and more gardeners are discovering that our general book on bulbs, **Bulbs For Beauty**, is worth many times its cost to anyone who grows or plans to grow bulbs. It was written expressly for the amateur gardener and anwers such questions as how to grow bulbs, where to plant them, how to care for them through the year, what kinds and varieties are best. It deals with bulbs that flower in the spring, summer and autumn, and also contains a chapter on indoor growing bulbs. Besides 277 pages of text it contains copious illustrations. It sells for \$3.50 per copy and we shall be pleased to fill your orders.

Lilies

Our stocks of the lovely Auratum lily, the Gold-banded Lily of Japan have recently arrived. Also for those who did not plant them last fall we have limited quantities of a few other fine lilies. Plant them in late March or early April for spectacular blooms in your garden not only for the coming summer, but other summers to follow. Approximate flowering times are indicated.

Per 10 Per 100

Auratum. July-August. Gold-banded Lily of Japan. Huge wide blossom, white with gold stripe up center of petals.

\$2.75 per 3	\$8.50	\$75.00
Centifolium. Olympic Hybrids. An improved		
Regale type. Long, trumpet-shaped flow-		
ers, white with creamy-yellow centers. Ex-		
terior of buds dark green or brown	6.00	55.00
Formosanum. August-September. Tall trum-		
pet-shaped flowers of white somewhat re-		
sembling a Regal lily	5.00	45.00

More and more gardeners every year recognize the hybrid daylily as the answer to their search for the perfect summer perennial. For what other plant with such abundant, stately flowers and such a long blooming range grows so robustly and needs so little care?

Newer hybrids range from silver yellow, sometimes rosetinted, through golden yellow to mahogany-brown. Blooming times vary from May to September. They should be planted copiously for sure garden flowers and for a steady supply of

	Per 3	Per 10
August Pioneer. August-September. A stur-		
dy variety of chrome orange with outer petals flashed red	. \$2.75	\$ 8.00
Autumn Prince. August to Frost. Clear light yellow. Very sturdy grower Each \$2.00	5.00	15.00
Bagdad. June-July. A deep new shade of		
rich brown and red. Very tall and free flowering	. 2.50	7.00
Cinnabar. August. Light primrose, flushed		7.00
rose-brown A delightfully apply		7.00
Dumortieri. May-June. A delightfully early variety of soft primrose		7.00
Enchantress. June-July. Soft yellow blended		
with coppery gold	. 2.50	7.00
George Yeld. July-August. A very tall variety of sulphur-yellow	2.75	8.00
Hyperion. July-August. Deliciously scented		
soft canary-yellow. Very free blooming. Fine for cutting as buds open well in wate		8.00
Lemona. June-July. Pale lemon-yellow of		
good height and substance	2.50	7.00
Linda. July. A tall, golden-yellow variety	\$2.50	\$ 7.00
shading to light yellow	. \$2.50	φ 7.00
ange with a dark flush of rose-red	2.50	7.00

Juberous Rooted Begonias

Tuberous begonias are the ideal summer flowers for the busy summer gardener with problem shady areas. The richly colored flowers often measure five to six inches across and are freely produced right up to cool weather, when the tubers are lifted for winter storing. The dark green foliage is attractive in itself and the spectacular blossoms may be floated in a shallow bowl for a beautiful table decoration.

Tuberous begonias like from half to nearly full shade and good, loamy soil not thickly matted with roots. They need plenty of air so avoid planting them under trees or shrubs which sweep the ground. No summer care is needed

except watering in very dry weather.

The tubers may be planted outdoors about mid-May or potted in March or early April for transplanting outside about June 1. Blooms naturally come earlier from plants started indoors.

We offer top-size tubers of the double camellia-flowered type in the following colors: Rose, Salmon, Red, White, Copper, Orange, Apricot and Yellow.

Belgian Grown:		Per 100
In Separate Colors	\$3.50	\$32.00
Mixed. Our Selection	3.00	27.00
California Grown:		
In Separate Colors	5.00	45.00
Mixed. Our Selection		42.00

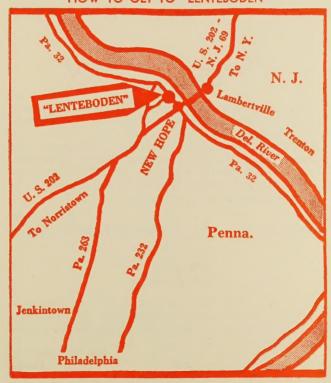
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bud-filled stems for opening in vases indoors.

Hemerocallis will survive almost any kind of soil and location, although they flourish best in good garden soil with at least a moderate amount of sunshine. So rapidly do they multiply that the roots may be divided every three years to start new colonies. Thus a modest investment will yield huge dividends in garden beauty in a short time. Listed below is a selection of the best hybrid daylilies with blooming times indicated. indicated.

·	Per 3	Per 10
Mikado. June-July. Warm orange with a zone of bright red-purple	2.50	7.00
One of the finest late varieties. Glistening silver-yellow	2.50	7.00
Ophir. August. A very tall free-blooming variety of bright golden yellow	2.50	7.00
ering	2.50	7.00
lily. Light buff overlaid with tawny rose Each \$2.50	7.00	22.00
Serenade. June. Another "pink" variety, with tone of light buff and pink	2.50	7.00
flowering novelty of deep mahogany-red Each \$1.50 Winsome. May-June. An early daylily of	3.50	11.00
medium height with fragrant creamy- yellow flowers	2.50	7.00
Novelty Collection of Hemerocallis. Named varieties, each packed separately, covering a blooming range from May-June to		
August-September. Our selection. \$6.00 per 10—\$14.00 per 25	\$55	per 100

HOW TO GET TO "LENTEBODEN"



To Gardeners Everywhere:

Spring planting time will soon be here. The time for planning and choosing the flowers for your 1954 summer and autumn garden is already here. If you wish to be sure of a copious supply of flowers for cutting and for garden enjoyment you will plant generous quantities of bulbs. Tuberous begonias for shady places, daylilies and gladiolas for months of successive blooms, tuberoses for their fragrant whiteness, montbretias for their tawny appeal, all these should be grown wherever summer flowers are wanted—which is in every garden. And be sure to order now, for August planting, the colchicums, autumn crocuses, sternbergias and wild cyclamens for drifts of bright autumn color.

Our Spring Display

We invite you and all your gardening friends to enjoy our feast of spring beauty here at "Lenteboden" this year. Here for two months each spring some 50,000 spring-flowering bulbs in more than 1,000 separate plantings by variety bloom in all their glory. The feast begins with the earliest species tulips, little bulbs and hyacinths, and continues through the daffodils to the tall May-flowering tulips and scillas.

A Living Catalogue

Each year this display is regarded by more and more gardeners and garden lovers as a horticultural event they would not miss. We hope that you will be among them this spring. Moreover this show has a value far beyond the beautiful spectacle which it is. It is also a living catalogue. As such it surpasses the most lavishly illustrated printed list imaginable as a guide in selecting spring-flowering bulbs for your own garden. For here you can choose varieties, not from printed lithographs, but from the flowers themselves. So make note of the empty spaces in your garden, then come to **Lenteboden**, select and order your bulbs for the fall. We can offer for sale only for the duration of the display the vast range of varieties shown here. Later buyers must choose from a much more restricted list.

Three Times To Visit

Our gardens will be open for visiting and placing orders for fall delivery from April I through May 25, from 10 A. M. to 6 P. M. every day including Sundays. Weekday visiting is usually less crowded. New Hope can be reached from the New York area by U. S. Routes 22—202. From the Philadelphia vicinity, Pa. 232 and Pa. 263—U. S. 202 lead to New Hope. It is an easy two-hour drive from midtown New York and about an hour and a quarter from downtown Philadelphia. The map inside shows the location of our gardens.

Blooming times vary with the season but fall approximately into three periods during each of which the gardens should be visited:

- 1. April 1—April 20 for hyacinths, early bulbs and species tulips.
 - 2. April 15—May 5 for early tulips and daffodils.
- May 1—May 25 for tall May-flowering tulips, scillas and late daffodils.

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